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SUBJ: US CONTRIBUTION TO UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

REF: (A) USUN A-3, (B) USUN 5702, (C) USUN A-1695

SUMMARY ROK AGREES TO PAY \$72,000 OR 45 PERCENT OF \$160,000 TWO - YEAR COST OF MAINTAINING CEMETERY. NETHERLANDS MISSION PROPOSES THAT US AGREE TO PAY \$25,322 AS ITS SHARE, BASED ON FORMULA DESCRIBED BELOW. ACTION REQUESTED: AUTHORIZATION TO AGREE TO NETHERLANDS PROPOSAL. END SUMMARY.

1. TOTAL COST OF MAINTAINING UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA FOR BIENNIUM 1974/75 WAS ESTIMATED AT \$160,000 IN SYG'S PROGRAM BUDGET (A/9006, P 401). NO CHANGE IS ANTICIPATED IN THIS ESTIMATE.
2. AS PROPOSED BY NETHERLANDS DEP PERM REP (VAN DER KLAUW), ROK HAS AGREED TO APY 45 PERCENT OF TOTAL COST FOR BIENNIUM, I.E., \$72,000.
3. VAN DER KLAUW PROPOSES THAT REMAINING \$88,000 BE APPORTIONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH FOL FORMULA:
(A) ONE-HALF (\$44,000) IN ACCORDANCE WITH UN SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1974-76. FOR TEN COUNTRIES OTHER THAN ROK. SINCE US ASSESSMENT IS

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25 PERCENT ANT TOTAL OF OTHER NINE COUNTRIES IS 18.53 PERCENT, US

SHARE OF \$44,000 IS 57.37 PERCENT, OR 25,243.

(B) ONE-HALF (\$44,000) IN ACCORDANCE WITH NUMBER OF NATIONALS
INTERRED IN CEMETERY. SINCE FOUR AMERICANS ARE INTERRED OUT OF TOTAL

OF 2,216 FORM TEN COUNTRIES, US SHARE IS 79.00.

4. US SHARE OF TOTAL COSTS THEREFORE IS \$25,322. VAN DER KLAUW
HAS REQUESTED OUR RESPONSE TO THIS FORMULA IN EXPECTATION THAT WE WILL

MAKE COMMITMENT TO PAY THIS AMOUNT.

5. CANADA, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, SAUDI ARABIA, AND UK HAVE ALREADY
AGREED TO PAY ASSIGNED SHARES UNDER THIS FORMULA.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: AUTHORIZATION TO INFORM VAN DER KLAUW
THAT WE AGREE TO FORMULA AND TO PAY \$25,322 FOR 1974/75 BIENNIAL AS US

CONTRIBUTION TOWARD MAINTENANCE OF CEMETERY, WITH APPROPRIATE RESERVA-

TIONS, IF NECESSARY, TO ACCOMMODATE ANY CONGRESSIONAL PROBLEMS. DEPT

WILL NOTE THAT US PAYMENT UNDER THIS FORMULA IS SOME 37 PERCENT LESS
THAN IT WOULD BE IF ITEM HAS REMAINED IN UNREGULAR BUDGET.
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